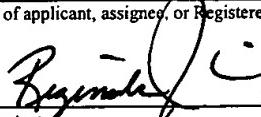


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Sir:

This paper is responsive to the Office Action dated February 11, 2004 having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on May 11, 2004. A petition for a one-month extension of time is filed simultaneously herewith. Reconsideration, entry of the amendment and continued examination is respectfully requested in light of the proposed amendments and remarks below.

Please amend the application as follows: